(c) the action taken against the errant staff and to prevent such staff failures in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Commissioner of Railway Safety, Northern-Circle, has established the cause of the side collision of 1 TR Tilak Bridge-Rohtak Shuttle passenger train on 23.08.2003 as "infringement caused by the shunting engine to the route of 1 TR Tilak Bridge-Rohtak passenger". The concerned staff failed in ensuring safe passage of train movements in Shakurbasti Yard. Complete track circuiting in the yard, Auxiliary Warning System or Anti-Collision Device, which if available at this station, could have prevented the accident.

(c) Three staff have been placed under suspension and disciplinary action against the errant staff is under process.

Berths in Udyan Express

470. SHRI K.B. KRISHNAMURTHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of IInd class three tier berths provided to Gulbarga in Udyan Express running between Bangalore-Mumbai;

(b) whether Government are aware that there is great demand for additional coaches to Gulbarga from Bangalore and at Gulbarga in Mumbai-Bangalore Udyan Express; and

(c) whether Government would provide more berths to Gulbarga in the Udyan Express?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL) : (a) At present a reservation quota of 72 Sleeper class berths by 6530 Bangalore-Mumbai CST Udyan Express and 256 Sleeper Class berths by 6529 Mumbai CSTM-Bangalore, Udyan Express is available for Gulbarga.

(b) and (c) Keeping in view the demands being received for enhancement of reservation quota, decision has been taken to allot additional quota of 6 Sleeper Class berths by 6529 Mumbai CSTM-Bangalore Udyan Express at Gulbarga from an earliest possible date. As the train is running with its maximum permissible load, augmentation of its load is not feasible at present.